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Please consider the references listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. Cited U.S. patents and patent application publications will be provided on request.

The present application and the following U.S. Patent Applications are commonly owned and have some features in common with the present application, but have claims which cover different subject matter: 11/982,086, 11/982,182, 11/981,971, 11/982,181, 11/982,191, 11,982,249, 11/982,015, and 12/313,652. Applicants invite the Examiner to review and consider the file histories of U.S. Patent Applications 11/982,086, 11/982,182, 11/981,971, 11/982,181, 11/982,191, 11,982,249, 11/982,015, and 12/313,652 when examining the present application. Applicants presume that the Examiner already has access to said file histories, but will be happy to provide copies of any documents therein upon request.

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